



## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9843-3; CERCLA-04-2013-3759]

Ore Knob Mine Superfund Site

Laurel Springs, Ashe County, North Carolina

Notice of Settlement

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice of Settlement.

**SUMMARY:** Under 122(h) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), the United States Environmental Protection Agency has entered into a settlement with Herbert N. Francis concerning the Ore Knob Mine Superfund Site located in Laurel Springs, Ashe County, North Carolina. The settlement addresses cost incurred by the agency in conducting a fund lead Removal.

**DATES:** The Agency will consider public comments on the settlement until [**INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER**]. The Agency will consider all comments received and may modify or withdraw its consent to the settlement if comments received disclose facts or considerations which indicate that the settlement is inappropriate, improper, or inadequate.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the settlement are available from EPA's Environmental Protection Specialist, Ms. Paula V. Painter. Submit your comments by site name "Ore Knob Mine Superfund Site" by one of the following methods:

- [www.epa.gov/region4/superfund/programs/enforcement/enforcement.html](http://www.epa.gov/region4/superfund/programs/enforcement/enforcement.html)
- Email. [Painter.Paula@epa.gov](mailto:Painter.Paula@epa.gov)
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Attn: Paula V. Painter

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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paula V. Painter at 404/562-8887

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